



BY THE  
Lords Justices and Council,  
A  
PROCLAMATION,  
For a THANKSGIVING.

Winchester, Gallway.

WHEREAS it hath pleased Almighty God, in his Great Goodness, to put an End to the late War, in which his Majesty, and his Allies, Were Engaged, against the French King, by the Conclusion of Peace, between his Majesty, and the Princes, and States, in Confederacy with him, and the said French King, upon such a Foundation, as by the Blessing of God may prove effectual, to procure a Firm and Lasting Tranquility to Europe. We Adoring the Divine Goodness, and duly considering, that such Great and Publick Blessings, do call for Publick and Solemn Acknowledgments, have thought fit to Issue this Our Proclamation; hereby Appointing, and Commanding, that a General Thanksgiving to Almighty God, for these his Mercies, be observed throughout this Kingdom of Ireland; That is to say, on Sunday the Twelfth Day of December next, in the City and Suburbs of Dublin, and Within Ten Miles thereof; and on Sunday the Nineteenth day of December next, in all other parts of this Kingdom. And for the better and more Orderly Solemnizing the same, We have given Directions to the Most Reverend the Arch-Bishops, and to the Right Reverend the Bishops of this Kingdom, to Compose a Form of Prayer Suitable to this Occasion, to be used in all Churches and Chappels, and other Places of Publick Worship; and to take care for the timely dispersing the same through their respective Diocesses. And We do strictly Charge and Command, That the said Publick Day of Thanksgiving be Religiously observed, by all his Majesty's Subjects, as they tender the Favour of Almighty God, and upon Pain of suffering such Punishment as can be justly inflicted upon all such Who shall Contemn or Neglect the same.

Given at the Council-Chamber in Dublin, the 30th Day of November, 1697.

Methuen, C. Narcissus Dublin, Inchiquin, St. George Clogher, Cha. Fielding,  
R. Pyne, In<sup>r</sup> Hely, Rob. Doyne.

God Save the King.

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